COMMENTS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-8, 10 and 27 and has objected to claims 9, 11-17, 28 and 29. The Examiner's rejections are respectfully traversed and based on the amendments, it is believed that the application should be allowed. Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 11. As such, claims 1-10 and 12-14 which depend directly or indirectly therefrom and should be allowed. Claims 15, 16 and 17 have been rewritten as independent claims 30, 31 and 32 and include all of the limitations of base claim 1 and all intervening claims.

Claim 27 has been amended so that it includes the limitations of claim 29 and should therefore be allowed. Claim 28 depends from claim 27.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, and for the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration along with an indication of the allowance of claims 1-10, 12-14, 27-28 and 30-32, along with previously allowed claims 18-26.

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